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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Restriction Requirement of December 3, 2002 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on January 3, 2002. A two-month extension to March 3, 2002 is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Applicants' credit card in the amount of \$410.00 for payment of the extension fee. Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment Form for fee purposes. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1744.

Respectfully submitted,

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